PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GENERAL CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY CONVENTION

AT ITS

THIRTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY

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ON FINANCE.

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ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

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GENERAL

Christian Missionary Convention.

THIRTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY.

First Session.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.,
Thursday, October 20, 1881.

After reading of a passage of Scripture, prayer by W. K. Pendleton, of West Virginia, and singing of the hymn commencing: "All Hail the power of Jesus' name," at 2:20 o'clock P. M., Robert Moffett, of Ohio, President, called to order the Thirty-second Annual Meeting of the General Christian Missionary Convention, pursuant to the Constitution, Art. VII.

On motion, by F. M. Green, of Ohio, the Chair appointed as a Committee on Enrollment: C. C. Smith, of Ohio; J. F. Sloan, of Indiana; G. L. Brokaw, of Wisconsin, and B. H. Hayden, of Michigan; and as a Committee on Order of Business: L. L. Carpenter, of Indiana; F. M. Green, of Ohio; O. A. Bartholomew, of Kentucky; T. P. Haley, of Missouri; and D. R. Lucas, of Iowa.

L. L. Carpenter, from the Committee on Order of Business, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1. Enrollment of Delegates.
2. Report of Board of Managers and reference thereof to appropriate committees.
3. Report of Hymn Book Trustees.
4. Report of Treasurer and Recording Secretary.
5. Address by N. S. Haynes, State Evangelist of Illinois.
6. "How to Raise Missionary Revenue." Short speeches.
7. Adjourn at 4:30 till 7:30 o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 o'clock: Devotional Exercises for one-half hour, conducted by C. C. Smith.

8 o'clock: Annual Address of the President, Robert Moffett.

F. M. Green, Corresponding Secretary, read the report of the Board of Managers, as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD.

DELEGATES AND BRETHREN: — Without preamble or unnecessary words, we enter immediately on the duty of presenting to you our annual report:

FINANCIAL.

The financial condition of the Convention for the year ending October 20, 1881, is as follows, viz:

Receipts.

In the Treasury October 21, 1880	$ 67 66	
Cash from all sources for General Convention	6,152 35	
Pledges received for special work		$ 1,260 00
Cash in Gen'l Treasury for Washington Church Building	9,610 28	
Cash in Church Treasury at Washington	2,052 13	
Pledges for Washington Church		10,841 00
Additional pledges for Washington Church		540 00
Total	$ 17,882 42	$12,641 00
Total money and pledges		$30,523 42

Expenses.

To Church Building Fund, Belding, Mich. (pledge)	$ 1,260 00
To Church Building Fund, Washington, D. C. (cash)	11,662 41
To Church Building Fund, Washington, D. C. (pledges)	11,381 00
To salaries of Evangelists and other expenses of the Convention	6,193 26
In Treasury October 20, 1881	26 75
Total	$30,523 42

By States.

The receipts from the States are as follows:

General from States	$1,662 72	Massachusetts	$ 5 00
Michigan	184 85	Iowa	64 38
Georgia	5 50	Kansas	97 39
West Virginia	61 00	Tennessee	113 06
Vermont	31 15	Wisconsin	236 55
Connecticut	11 00	Illinois	173 06
California	24 00	Nebraska	396 10
South Carolina	49 65	Indiana	371 64
Louisiana	38 00	Kentucky	350 87
District of Columbia	42 00	Pennsylvania	606 45
Virginia	48 30	Missouri	448 98
Colorado	55 00	Ohio	922 26
New York	221 10		
Total			$6,220 01

General Summary.

In Treasury October 21, 1880	$ 67 66
Cash through Dr. W. A. Belding	1,332 44
Cash through Corresponding Secretary	4,887 57
Cash through Washington Church	11,662 41
Total cash receipts	$17,950 08

Washington Church Fund.

Cash on hand October 15, 1881, with Jos. Smith, Jr., Treasurer, and J. F. Saum, Sub-treasurer:

	J. Smith, Jr.	J. F. Saum.	Total Cash.	Pledges.
Washington	.....	.....	.....	$5,000 00
Ohio	$3,013 15	$361 95	$3,375 10	$2,400 00
Illinois	1,740 75	308 19	2,048 94	.....
Missouri	900 70	67 85	968 55	.....
New York	834 53	101 46	935 49	$1,200 00
Pennsylvania	558 72	122 00	680 72	616 00
Indiana	438 09	147 35	585 44	.....
Iowa	370 89	293 37	664 26	.....
Kentucky	322 04	57 20	379 24	1,600 00
Georgia	260 65	18 85	279 50	25 00
Virginia	146 12	81 73	227 85	.....
West Virginia	140 00	15 10	165 10	.....
Louisiana	100 00	25 00	125 00	.....
Maryland	86 32	77 80	164 12	.....
Michigan	125 34	78 20	204 04	.....
Kansas	119 03	47 51	166 54	.....
California	35 25	30 50	65 75	.....
Colorado	40 00	5 75	45 75	.....
Maine	7 81	10 79	18 60	.....
Wisconsin	22 00	36 69	58 69	.....
Massachusetts	11 00	10 00	21 00	.....
New Jersey	30 00	.....	30 00	.....
Connecticut	55 00	30 39	85 39	.....
South Carolina	19 50	.....	19 50	.....
Vermont	50 25	7 25	57 50	.....
Tennessee	38 00	.....	38 00	.....
Minnesota	33 40	26 00	59 40	.....
Oregon	40 90	20 50	61 40	.....
Texas	8 20	.....	8 20	.....
Montana Territory	10 00	.....	10 00	.....
Nevada Territory	10 00	.....	10 00	.....
Mississippi	.....	8 50	8 50	.....
Dakota Territory	10 00	.....	10 00	.....
Rhode Island	.....	5 00	5 00	.....
Nebraska	30 14	31 15	61 29	.....
North Carolina	.....	16 05	16 05	.....
Wyoming Territory	1 00	.....	1 00	.....
Washington Territory	1 00	.....	1 0	.....
Florida	.....	5 00	5 00	.....
Alabama	.....	5 00	5 00	.....
	$9,610 28	$2,052 13	$11,662 41	$10,841 00

WORK DONE.

The work of the Board for the past year has been of two kinds, viz.:

1. We have assisted, to the extent of our financial ability, to "spread the gospel" in Dakota, Oregon, Alabama, Colorado, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Nebraska, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

In Wisconsin and Nebraska we have united with the State Board, and keep an evangelist in the field in each of these States all of his time. In Wisconsin, G. L. Brokaw has done splendid service. His labors began January 1st, 1881, and have resulted in 184 sermons and 75 additions to the church; 49 of these were baptized.

In Nebraska, R. C. Barrow has labored with his accustomed vigilance, power and success. During the year he has preached 280 sermons and added 153 to the churches, of which number 54 were baptized.

In Pennsylvania we have assisted the Pennsylvania Christian Conference in sustaining a mission at Williamsport. The result of our joint labors is a good congregation in a field which promises a plenteous harvest in the near future. The mission should receive our aid during the coming year.

In South Carolina, Bro. J. S. Havener, of Baldoc, has received assistance in his effort to evangelize the State. He has been faithful to his trust and deserves even more than we can do for him.

By the aid rendered by the Ladies' Missionary Society of the High Street Church of Christ, Akron, O., we were enabled to render some assistance to Bro. Wm. Herrington, in Dakota.

In Kansas, in coöperation with brethren at Topeka, Dr. S. T. Dodd has been aided in a very successful work in that city. Through the use of the interest on the "Bacon Bequest," Brethren J. W. Randall and E. L. Allen have preached "the word" with success in Neosho Co., Kansas.

Bro. J. M. Madding, of Red Land, Louisiana, deserves mention for the labor he has done in that State, and in Arkansas under our management, though without remuneration from our treasury.

At Chattanooga, Tennessee, Bro. W. F. Cowden, of Lexington, Ky., held a successful meeting in March last, resulting in 8 additions to the little band of Disciples in that city. The expenses of the meeting were borne jointly by the brethren there and by this Society.

In the other States named we have done what we could in the distribution of tracts, which have been gratefully received and, we believe, wisely distributed. The demand for tracts has been much larger than we have been able to meet with the special fund which we were allowed to use in their circulation.

In all the States named above, and in others to which earnest attention was called last year, during the sessions of the annual convention, there are rich, white fields ready for the harvest. Colorado ought to be occupied at once, and the work pressed there with vigor. North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, New England, the great territories of the West, and Minnesota, press upon us for help, which we would gladly give, but which our hitherto limited treasury compels us to decline.

We can not pass without calling your attention to the fact that the mission year just closed has furnished the "Disciples of Christ" with an opportunity to proclaim the primitive gospel in this country and throughout the world scarcely equaled, and never excelled, since the "great Captain" commanded his first disciples to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." With how much eagerness the modern disciples have entered this "open door" let him speak who knows, and let each decide for himself.

2. In the second place, we have made a special effort to raise money to build a house of worship for the Disciples of Christ in the city of Washington, D. C., the capital of the nation. This was undertaken by your Board at the request of the Church in Washington, as the following copy of the action of the Church will testify: "At a meeting of the Vermont Avenue Christian Church, held at the Riggs House, Washington, D. C., November 7, 1880, it was resolved unanimously that the plan and general direction of the work of raising funds for the building of a new church in Washington be

left to the General Missionary Board, or to such committees as they may appoint."

It is not necessary for us in this report to repeat in detail what has already been published as widely as possible in our papers. Suffice it to say that the Board acted upon this question as wisely as it knew, and as efficiently as it could.

Bro. Thomas W. Phillips, of Newcastle, Penn., was chosen to take charge generally of the enterprise, and Joseph Smith, Jr., of Cincinnati, Treasurer of this Convention, was chosen Treasurer of the fund that might be raised for the purpose.

The following resolutions will state in brief terms the early action of the Board on this question:

"*Resolved*, That Joseph Smith, Jr., Treasurer of the General Christian Missionary Convention, is hereby authorized to receive all moneys that may be sent to him for the purpose of aiding the Church of Christ in Washington, D. C., in the erection of a house of worship that shall not be extravagant, but a credit to the whole brotherhood; and further, he is directed to keep said funds separate from all other funds that may come into his hands; and this Board reserves the right, from time to time, to increase his official bonds to such a sum as shall be amply sufficient to cover any amount that may be received by him.

"*Resolved*, That Bro. T. W. Phillips, of Newcastle, Pa., is hereby authorized to act as General Agent to solicit funds for the purpose aforesaid, under such regulations as may be agreed upon by said Church of Christ at Washington, D. C., and this Board."

This action was taken November 18, 1880.

It will be interesting in this connection to know the mind of the late President as to the character of the house that should be built. In a letter to Bro. Power, he writes:

"I note what you say in regard to a new church in Washington. I am glad to hear that the work is to be undertaken, and in answer to your inquiry, I beg leave to offer but one suggestion, and that is, that our brethren do not undertake to build too large a house. Let us keep within our means, and also avoid anything like ostentation, either in size or decoration. Let it be a a neat, modest church, of undersize rather than oversize."

The effort to raise the money for the house was made, and from every source, and by every method that seemed "good in the sight" of those who contributed, your Board places on record the result to this date, so far as it could be obtained definitely by the Treasurer, viz:

Cash in the Treasury	$11,662 41
Pledges unpaid	11,381 00
Total to Oct. 15, 1881	23,043 41

To this amount might be added $8,000.00 of pledges which have not been formally reported to our Treasurer. For this result we make no special claim, but we are glad to acknowledge the value of any and every agency by which the above result has been reached.

At a late meeting of the Board, the following action was taken, for reasons which are apparent to all who consider the question, viz.:

"Sept. 14, 1881.

"Called meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of the General Christian Missionary Convention. Present: O. A. Bartholomew, A. I. Hobbs, B. W. Wasson and Joseph Smith, Jr.

"On motion of A. I. Hobbs, the following persons were added to the Building Committee appointed by the Washington Church, subject to the approval of said Church, to-wit: John F. Fisk, Covington, Ky.; Jeptha D. Gerrard, Cincinnati, O.; Jacob B. Thomas, Baltimore, Md.; Russell Errett, Pittsburgh, Pa., and R. M. A. Hawk, Illinois.

"On motion of A. I. Hobbs, the following persons were nominated as a Board of Trustees, subject to the approval of the Washington Church:

"James A. Garfield, W. S. Roose, A. R. Tingle, H. C. Stier—all of Washington; Isaac Errett and Joseph Smith, of Cincinnati, O., and W. H. Lape, of Newport, Ky.

"On motion, the following recommendations were adopted:

"1st. To proceed as soon as practicable to build.

"2nd. That the house cost not less than $35,000 when finished.

"3d. That the joint building committee proceed at once to decide on plans.

"4th. That the lot be made over to the trustees appointed, with the provision in the deed that if a vacancy should appear in the Board of Trustees the same shall be filled by the joint action of the congregation in Washington City, D. C., and the General Christian Missionary Convention, provided that in case either party fail to act, the other shall make the appointment; in case both should fail to act, the Board of Trustees shall fill their own vacancies; and in case the congregation in Washington, D. C., shall cease to use the property for church purposes, then its ownership shall vest in the General Missionary Convention, unless said church shall use the proceeds of the sale to build another house of worship within the limits of Washington, D. C.

"5th. No charge for services to be made by any of the Building Committee.

"In case any of the Building Committee decline or refuse to serve, will substitute the following persons in the order named:

"K. J. Tener, Philadelphia, Pa.; A. Hall, New York City, N. Y.; H. S. Platt, Baltimore, Md. On motion adjourned.

"JOS. SMITH, JR., Sec'y. "O. A. BARTHOLOMEW, Pres.

The following telegram was subsequently received:

"WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 17.

"To JOSEPH SMITH, JR.:—Action of your Board unanimously approved by full Committee. "W. S. ROOSE, Chairman."

During the progress of this work there has been entire harmony between the church at Washington and the General Board. We are confident that, if Bro. Phillips had been able, in justice to his private business, to give his entire time to the work, we could have reported the work of raising money complete at this time. We hope by our next Annual Convention to be able to report the completion of a respectable church building in the capital of the nation, that shall belong not only to the congregation in Washington, but to the brethren everywhere.

WORK IN THE STATES.

We are not able to report in full the work done in the States through District and State coöperations. In general we believe that there has been more

money raised and more and better work done in the States than the average of any preceding year since the organization of this Society. This is noticeably true of Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri and Iowa. From the leading States the following, which embraces but two items of work, is interesting and suggestive. Not including the amount paid to the Washington Church Fund—which appears elsewhere—the additions gained by missionary effort, and money raised for missionary purposes in the States named, are as follows:

Indiana, August to August—Number of additions, 12; money raised, $335.25.

Iowa, September to September—Number of additions, 196; money raised, $3,500.36.

New York, September to September—Number of additions, 65; money raised, $1,644.38.

Ohio, May to May—Number of additions, 473; money raised, $12,149.48.

Missouri, September to September—Number of additions, 494; money raised, $13,334.60.

Kentucky, September to September—Number of additions, 781; money raised, $16,278.05.

Illinois, October to October—Number of additions, 37; money raised, $1,500.00.

Wisconsin, September to September—Number of additions, 75; money raised, $600.00.

Nebraska, October to October—Number of additions, 124; money raised, $1,500.00.

Total additions by State and District missionary agencies in eight States, 2,381; total money raised by State and District missionary agencies in eight States, $52,342.12; total money raised by General Convention, $29,899.06. Grand total, $82,241.18.

It is worthy of notice that the additions reported and the money raised, as shown in this report, are exclusive of what has been done by congregations and individuals independent of missionary agencies. What we report is a result which would not, we believe, have been obtained except by the missionary agencies employed.

RECAPITULATION.

Total additions reported from eight States		2381
" " " by General Convention		503
Grand total		2884
Total Baptisms reported by General Convention		276
" Sermons preached by Evangelists of General Convention,		1382
Total money reported from eight States	$52,342	12
" " " by General Convention	29 899	06
Grand total	$82,241	18

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

We have no special report to make in regard to this feature of our work. The reports from all quarters in regard to the Sunday-school work are mainly of the right kind. Faithful men are at work in several of the States, devoting their entire time to Sunday-school work. We can do nothing better than to encourage faithful, religious work in behalf of the children of to-day. It is well nigh impossible to reform an aged sinner; but it is possible to turn the feet of childhood into the perfect way.

A GERMAN MISSION.

A good opportunity was presented to us at the beginning of the year to work among the German people of this country. In the person of Bro. H. H. J. F. Müller, of Aurora, Ind., we found a person who by education and piety is eminently fitted to preach the gospel to the German people. He greatly desires to do so, and even at his own charges, or with the very slender help afforded by the Board and by the churches of Cincinnati, he has gone on through the year, preaching as opportunity presented itself to him. He has also prepared an excellent tract for circulation among the Germans, and in other ways has shown his ability and conscientious devotion to the work of the Lord. Hitherto we have almost entirely neglected this powerful element among the people of this nation.

We would ask your attention to this matter. Certainly something ought to be done towards preaching the gospel in a language which they understand, to the large German population of our country. An "open door" is before us. Shall we enter it?

QUARTERLY COLLECTIONS.

The Corresponding Secretary has endeavored, under our direction, to carry out during the year the recommendation of the Convention at Louisville, in regard to quarterly collections, but with only indifferent success. So far as church coöperation and church contribution for missions are concerned, there does not appear to be any sense of responsibility on the part of the churches; and the Board is often left without means to carry on the work committed to it to do, through the indifference, supposed local necessities, or caprice of the congregations. To provide against this condition of affairs, your attention will be asked to a recommendation which will be presented in its proper place.

TRACT DISTRIBUTION.

We have endeavored to carry out the recommendations of last year in regard to tract distribution, and as generous a supply of tracts as we have been able to furnish has been sent to our evangelists and others for distribution. But the calls for them have been far beyond our ability to supply. The General Board could do a work of measureless value to the Church of Christ in the circulation of tracts, if the financial aid was furnished adequate to the demand. We have not found it practicable to "examine the tracts now in print, and make suggestions through our papers, as to the relative excellence of those now written," according to the recommendation of the Convention last year.

MISSION FIELDS.

The reports which have come to the Board from the mission fields, already occupied, are generally satisfactory, and show that our confidence in the wisdom and efficiency of the agencies employed has not been misplaced. Letters from these various fields will be placed at the service of any committee that may be appointed to consider the question of "Present Mission Fields." We suggest that help, such as we can give, shall still be rendered until success is assured in these fields.

In regard to "new fields," they are opening up on every hand, and some of them are full of the promise of a rich harvest. But we are compelled to decline to enter them because we have not the means with which to prosecute the work. The advocates of individual and congregational work in "sound-

ing out" the word, as against the wider idea of coöperation represented by this Convention, have done nothing of consequence, can do nothing of consequence, and will do nothing of consequence in spreading the gospel in these splendid fields.

Your attention is asked to the consideration of the question of "new mission fields."

The Corresponding Secretary will place in the hands of any committee formed for that purpose such information as he possesses.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

For years the Board has been embarrassed at the beginning of each year because of its inability to tell how much money would be placed at its disposal. Usually at the beginning of each year the treasury is empty or nearly so. There is no dependence to be placed on quarterly collections, either as to regularity or size, as a supply for our treasury. This is our experience. But we find some congregations which desire to be represented in our work through their quarterly collections. There are States which desire to be represented in this Convention through dividends from their State Treasury, and these States represent the widest idea of church coöperation yet realized by us. But we also find that a large number of individuals would be glad to contribute to our work if their contribution would entitle them to membership in the Convention. These facts have been learned after ten years of experience in our endeavors to realize in a wide degree "church cooperation." We, therefore, after careful study, recommend the following changes in the Constitution of this Society, and ask their endorsement by this Convention. These changes will meet the main objections which have been urged against the financial standing of the Society, and will also give to those who contribute to its funds such a standing in the Convention as will permit them to have a direct voice in the management of the Society. The following is the complete Constitution, which we offer as a substitute for the present Constitution, viz.:

AMENDED CONSTITUTION.

"ARTICLE I. This organization shall be called the *General Christian Missionary Convention*.

"ART. II. Its object shall be the spread of the gospel in this and in other lands.

"ART. III. Its membership shall consist of Life Directors, Life Members, Annual Members, Delegates from Churches of Christ, and Delegates from States as follows, viz.: Any member of the Church of Christ may become a Life Director of this Convention and a member of the General Board, by the payment of one hundred dollars in five annual installments; a Life Member by the payment of fifty dollars, in five annual installments; or an annual member, by the payment of five dollars. Any congregation contributing ten dollars or more, shall be entitled to one delegate in the annual meeting of this Convention, for that year; and any State Missionary Board or Society contributing a dividend from its State Treasury for the object of this Convention, shall be entitled to two delegates in the annual meeting of the General Convention, and to one additional delegate for every five thousand disciples in the State; provided that no person shall be entitled to a seat in the General Board, or General Convention, who is not at the same time a member of the Church of Christ.

"ART. IV. The officers of this Convention shall consist of a President, three Vice Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and three Recording Secretaries, who shall be chosen annually, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected. The officers of the Convention shall be *ex officio* members of the General Board.

"ART. V. The General Convention shall annually elect nine members, who shall constitute an Acting Board of Managers during the intervals of the meetings of the General Board, and shall have all the powers vested in the General Board, and fill all vacancies which may occur in their own body during the year. Five members of the Acting Board shall constitute a quorum, and shall live in or near Cincinnati.

"ART. VI. The General Board of Managers shall consist of the Life Directors, the Corresponding Secretaries of the States, and the Presidents of State Boards or Societies contributing to the treasury of this Convention, and the Acting Board of Managers. The General Board shall meet annually, and shall have power to appoint its own meetings; elect its own officers; establish such agencies as the interests of the Convention may require; appoint missionaries, fix their compensation, and direct their labors; make all appropriations to be paid out of the treasury, and present to the Convention at each annual meeting a report of their proceedings during the past year. The action of the Board of Managers is subject to the revision of the Convention.

"ART. VII. The Treasurer shall give bonds in such amount as the Acting Board of Managers shall think proper.

"ART. VIII. All Life Directors and Life Members of the American Christian Missionary Society shall be members of this Convention.

"ART. IX. The meetings of this Convention shall be held annually in Cincinnati, on Thursday, at 2 P. M., after the third Lord's day in October, or at such other time, place, or frequency as shall have been designated at a previous meeting.

"ART. X. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of all the members present at any regular meeting of the Convention, provided such amendment shall have been first recommended by the Board, or a year's notice shall have been given."

BY-LAW—ADOPTED AT INDIANAPOLIS, 1870.

"*Resolved*, That all members of the Church of Christ, who may attend the annual meetings of the General Convention, shall be entitled to participate in its deliberations; and this is hereby adopted as a by-law to this Constitution."

We have no other recommendations of a special character to make. We ask you to consider with the closest scrutiny each question presented in our report. The Board is always grateful for recommendations which come to it from those who have carefully considered the questions of which they speak.

THE DEAD.

We now turn from the consideration of those questions which belong to the living and active membership of the church of the living God, to embalm in our records the names of those who have exchanged the cross for the crown, during the year now closed. We can not name all, but of the number who have passed away the following are among the most prominent, viz.: J. J. Wyatt, John O'Kane, Absalom Rice, and Sister M. D. Todd, of Missouri; E. Gowing and Dr. S. W. Parmley, of New York; Andrew Burns, of Ohio;

Francis W. Emmons, of Massachusetts; P. T. Russell, of Iowa: Jacob Wright, Ovid Butler and Sarah J. Laughlin, of Indiana; John Taffe, of Nebraska; Aylette Rains, of Kentucky; and James Abram Garfield, President of the United States. Nearly all these were associated with either our State, General or Foreign work, and some of them were members of all our missionary societies. Several had reached the age of fourscore years. The larger part of them were preachers of the Word, and may properly be classed among the pioneers of the Reformation. All of them by stainless lives endeared themselves to many hearts, and one of them was indeed,

"The pillar of a people's hope,
The center of a world's desire."

A volume might be written concerning each one, but we have only space to record this brief tribute, and to rejoice that the world will be the richer in its glorious memories because they lived in it.

CONCLUSION.

We close the record of the year with this regret: We have not been able to do all that we desired to do. The Board has freely given its time to consider the questions that have been brought before it. Our agents have been faithful to their respective missions. The year has been an eventful one. The winter was exceedingly long and the summer exceedingly hot. The fearful tragedy which deprived the nation of its chief, the world of one of its mightiest intellectual and moral forces, and the church of one of its humblest and truest members, closed when the spirit of James A. Garfield left its clay at Elberon, while the ocean sobbed and humanity cried. From July 2nd to Sept. 19th no man could keep his heart from the nation's chamber of suffering. But notwithstanding all these things, we have endeavored to be faithful to the interests of this Convention, and have prayed that "gladness shall dawn from sorrow, and glory burst from gloom."

In behalf of the Board,

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 20, 1881. F. M. GREEN, Cor. Sec'y.

On motion by N. S. Haynes, of Illinois, the Chair appointed a committee on each of the following points embraced in the report of Managers, to-wit:

Present Mission Fields—Joseph King, of Pennsylvania; J. W. Conner, of Indiana; J. L. Richardson, of Illinois; R. M. Bishop, of Ohio, and W. K. Azbill, of Kentucky.

New Mission Fields—O. P. Miller, of Indiana; W. R. Williams, of Missouri; G. A. Willett, of Michigan; D. R. Dungan, of Iowa, and A. P. Frost, of Minnesota.

Tracts—W. F. Cowden, of Kentucky; B. U. Watkins, of Minnesota; J. A. Roberts, of Ohio; J. L. Parsons, of Indiana, and S. B. Moore, of Maryland.

Ways and Means—B. W. Johnson, of Illinois; C. B. Edgar, of Missouri; N. A. McConnell, of Iowa; W. S. Dickinson, of Ohio; John Truax, of Minnesota.

Changes in the Constitution—O. A. Burgess, of Illinois; A. B. Jones, of Missouri; A. R. Benton, of Indiana; J. W. McGarvey, of Kentucky; E. T. Williams, of Ohio.

Washington Church—W. K. Pendleton, West Virginia; J. H. Smith, of Missouri; A. B. Cobb, of Illinois; J. F. Sloan, of Indiana, and J. S. Hughes, of Ohio.

Work in States—N. S. Haynes, of Illinois; S. M. Jefferson, of Kentucky; L. R. Gault, of Ohio; John H. Duncan, of Missouri; R. T. Matthews, of Indiana.

German Missions—in this country—A. I. Hobbs, of Ohio; John Burns, of Missouri; J. Hall, of Ohio; John Darst, of Illinois, and H. W. Everest, of Indiana.

Obituaries—R. M. Bishop, of Ohio; Enos Campbell, of Kentucky; A. S. Hale, of Indiana; R. T. Brown, of Indiana, and T. D. Garvin, of Ohio.

R. M. Bishop, of Ohio, in behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Christian Hymn Book, submitted the following report:

#13.

The Trustees of the Hymn Book respectfully report, that immediately after the Convention in Louisville, they published the action of the Convention in relation to a revision of the Hymnal, in all our religious papers. In November they published the annexed circular, and had a copy mailed to several hundred prominent brethren, supposed to have good taste and judgment in regard to the material for a Revised Edition of the Hymnal, asking for the following information:

1st. What hymns that are in the present Hymnal would you omit?

2nd. What pieces of music would you leave out?

3d. What hymns would you insert that are not in the present book?

4th. What tunes or pieces of music would you recommend for the new book that are not in the present one?

To the circular we received a large number of letters, responding to the questions propounded.

On the 20th day of January, 1881, the Trustees met to consider what action would be necessary to carry successfully into effect the wishes of the brotherhood as expressed in the Convention. Two of the original editors selected by Alexander Campbell, and appointed by the Missionary Convention, Messrs. T. M. Allen and A. S. Hayden, being dead, W. T. Moore, another of them, being in Europe, consequently could not give his attention to the work. There being but two remaining, Messrs. W. K. Pendleton and Isaac Errett, they decided to add the following names: J. W. McGarvey, Enos Campbell, A. I. Hobbs, J. S. Lamar and A. R. Benton, as editors, to select the hymns to be used, and L. H. Jameson and J. H. Fillmore as a committee to make a selection of music—all of whom were duly notified of their appointments. J. W. McGarvey declined to serve. Enos Campbell and the others named all accepted—however, Enos Campbell soon tendered his resignation as one of the editors. Therefore, at a meeting held by the Trustees March 3d, President C. L. Loos and Joseph Franklin were appointed to fill the vacancies of J. W. McGarvey and ~~Enos~~ Campbell. At this same meeting Thos. P. Haley was added to the Committee on Music. All the correspondence the committee had received was placed in the hands of the committees, and they have had the entire charge of the work since that time. As we have been advised by them, they have taken great care in preparing the work to hand over to us, and they have it very nearly completed. As soon as this is accomplished, the Trustees expect to make arrangements for its publication. But, it is important the Convention should understand that to make a *good book*, one that will compare with the best books in use, requires time, therefore you must exercise patience, and not expect the revised Hymnal to be ready for sale before the first of March next.

The fact becoming known that the Hymnal was to be revised and a new edition to be published, almost entirely stopped the sale of the present book; therefore, the receipts as royalty have been very small, and the Corresponding Secretary of the General Convention has drawn and used it. Consequently, the Trustees are left without a dollar with which to pay the expenses of procuring copy-right, purchasing plates, and publishing the new book. If the Society cannot refund the amount collected by its Corresponding Secretary, the Trustees will be compelled to depend upon the sale of the book to reimburse and defray the expenses of its publication. The Trustees hope to present to the brotherhood and the public a book that will compare favorably with any published (as did the present Hymnal when it was published).

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. M. BISHOP,
O. A. BURGESS,
C. H GOULD,
W. H. LAPE,
} Committee.

CIRCULAR.

DEAR BROTHER:—At the meeting of the General Missionary Convention, at Louisville, Kentucky last month, a committee, to whom was referred a report of the Trustees of the Hymn Book, asking for advice concerning what course they should pursue in regard to a revision of the Hymn Book and Hymnal, reported as follows, which report was adopted:

"1. That we deem the subject of the hymnology of the Church, in its bearing on the development of Christian life and character, to be of the first importance, and to merit the watchful care of the brotherhood.

"2. That we deem it very desirable, as tending to promote unity and fellowship in our worship, to harmonize, as far as possible, our church music, by having the same psalmody in all our churches.

"3. That, while we regard our present Hymnal as an excellent compilation of music and sacred poetry, and its general use thus far, in our churches, as highly complimentary to the musical taste and sound judgment of the brethren under whose supervision it was prepared, we, nevertheless, believe that it is necessary, in order to preserve the unity of our hymnology above referred to, and to keep it abreast of the times, that the Committee proceed, at the earliest practicable date, to make such a thorough revision of the same as will, in their judgment, aided by the wisest counsel they can secure, adapt it to the present needs of the brotherhood, and, so far as practicable, place it beyond the reach of just criticism; that while such economy in this revision, as may be in harmony with the necessary improvements, is recommended, in order that any profit arising from its sale may inure to the benefit of the missionary work, such benefit should, in our judgment, be held subordinate to the more important object of producing such a book as will meet the demands of musical worship in our large and growing brotherhood.

"4. That we recommend no change in our Hymn Book, for the present.

"5. It is, furthermore, the judgment of your Committee that the preparation and publication, under the supervision of the Hymn Book Committee, of a Sunday-school Hymnal, with a view of adjusting the singing in our Sunday-schools, as far as possible, to that in the church, and to prevent the frequent changes in music-books, which is a source of great expense to our schools, would meet with a ready sale and serve a most desirable end; and we recommend the publication of such a book by said committee.

"J. H. GARRISON,
"W. K. PENDLETON,
"L. H. JAMESON,
"J. W. MCGARVEY,
"ISAAC ERRETT,
} "Committee."

"Nov. 27.

The Trustees consider this an important matter. They therefore wish to obtain all the information possible, and to secure the judgment of our most experienced brethren and musicians, many of whom were not at the meeting. We desire your answer to the following questions:

1. What hymns in the present Hymnal would you omit?
2. What pieces of music would you leave out?
3. What hymns would you insert that are not in the present book?
4. What tunes or pieces of music would you recommend for the new book not in the present one?

In answering the above do not confine yourself to our own works alone. We want the most appropriate hymns and music that can be obtained; we therefore send this circular to you and others in order to secure such.

5. You will observe the Committee recommends a Sunday-school Hymnal. Please name explicitly which pieces are for the Hymnal and which for the Sunday-school Hymnal.

6. Many persons believe our Sunday-schools have had an excessive supply of light, lively melodies, which are very popular when new, but soon wear out. Others desire the Sunday-school Hymnal should have considerable church music, such hymns and tunes as are adapted to protracted and social meetings. Please give your views on this matter.

7. In conclusion, give us such suggestions as you may think proper in regard to the whole subject, and do so at as early a day as practicable, at any rate by the middle of January, 1881.

R. M. BISHOP, Chairman of Trustees.

F. M. Green moved the report be received, with the hearty approval of the Convention.

After remarks by A. I. Hobbs, of Ohio, and R. M. Bishop, the motion was agreed to.

On motion of F. M. Green, the Treasurer was instructed to complete and hand his report to the Auditor; as was also the Recording Secretary of the Board of Managers.

N. S. Haynes read a paper entitled, "How to Raise Missionary Revenue."

Short speeches were made by John Burns, of Mo.; T. D. Garvin, of Ohio; J. Hall, of Ohio; S. T. Dodd, of Kansas; and S. B. Teagarden, of Ohio.

On motion by R. M. Bishop, the Chair announced the following committees:

On Nominations.—D. R. Van Buskirk, of Ill.; B. B. Tyler, of Ky.; C. W. Hemry, of Ohio; W. A. Belding, of N. Y.; and Ira J. Chase, of Ind.

On Place of Next Meeting.—David Walk, of Ind.; J. H. Duncan, of Mo.; F. G. Allen, of Ky.; H. W. Everest, of Ind., and L. H. Jameson, of Ind.

On motion, the Convention took a recess till 7½ o'clock, with a benediction by Joseph King.

Second Session.

At 7½ o'clock, C. C. Smith conducted a praise service for half an hour.

L. L. Carpenter, Vice President, introduced R. Moffett, President of the Convention, who delivered the Annual Address. Subject: "Apostolic Methods."

On motion, by J. H. Duncan, that part of the President's address referring to systematizing our work, be referred to a committee of five, to report to the next General Convention. The Chair subsequently made this committee to consist of A. B. Jones, of Mo.; Isaac Errett, of Ohio; D R. Van Buskirk, of Ill.; D. R. Dungan, of Iowa; and L. L. Carpenter, of Ind.

L. L. Carpenter, from the Committee on Order of Business, submitted a partial report, as follows:

Friday Forenoon.—1. Devotional exercises from 9 to 9:30 o'clock, led by D. R. Dungan, of Iowa.
2. Reports of Committees.
3. Miscellaneous business.
4. At 11:15, address by E. T. Williams.
5. Adjourn at 12 o'clock.

The report was adopted.

Love H. Jameson sang two solos—"To reign a thousand years with Jesus;" and "I am bound for the mansions of glory on high."

Then came an adjournment till 9 o'clock to-morrow, after benediction by A. I. Hobbs.

Third Session.

After a half hour's devotional exercises, the business session was opened with prayer by David Walk, at 9:40 o'clock, A. M.

The Secretary's minutes of yesterday's two sessions were read and approved.

C. C. Smith, from the Committee on Enrollment, made the following report:

Life Directors	13
Life Members	15
State Delegates	87
Church Delegates	4
Visitors	237
Total	356

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Enos Campbell, of Ky., from the Committee on Obituaries, submitted the following:

The best and purest feelings of our nature prompt us to remember in tender love and sadness those who have fought the good fight, who have finished their course, who have kept the faith, and who have gone over into the brightness beyond the vail that hides them from our longing gaze. Standing by the graves of the departed heroes, and comparing the past with the present, we sometimes cry aloud:

"O, for the swords of former times,
And O, for the men who bore them;
Who proudly stood in the ranks sublime,
And tyrants crouched before them."

Many a grand man has passed away from the army of the cross since the first high note called its soldiers to arms, but we thank heaven that many aged veterans have never yet dropped the armor, and can still deal stalwart blows in defense of the Captain of their salvation.

Among those who are gone from us, but not lost, during the past year, are some honored names of men who were always found in the front of the battle where blows fell the thickest. Such warriors as Aylette Raines and John O'Kane, and Absalom Rice, and Jacob Wright, were valiant men of God, who never thought of themselves when their Master's cause demanded their services. Nor will the living generation who have listened to his earnest appeals ever forget the impassioned eloquence of J. J. Wyatt, as he lovingly urged sinners to come to Him who alone could aid them in the time of their need. Francis W. Emmons, too, the unswerving friend of truth, and P. T.

Russell, and Andrew Burns, and John Taffe, men of clear brain and sanctified life, must be held in loving memory. Among this list of God's noblemen, our venerable brother, Ovid Butler, the beneficent upholder of every good work, a friend of education, and a pillar in the church of God, must hold an honorable place. Nor would we forget Dr. Parmley, conspicuous for his steadfast adhesion to the church of Christ in its fortunes and misfortunes, through many years of his life amidst the seductions and temptations of a luxurious city.

The name of James A. Garfield, late President of the United States, and a member of this Convention, and a warm friend of our mission work, comes to our memory to-day with peculiar tenderness. We would forget for the time, if possible, the terrible tragedy that so suddenly cut him down in the midst of his useful life. We would not look at him as a ripe scholar, a graceful orator, a profound statesman, an incorruptible patriot; but we would lovingly remember him as an humble Christian, a devout worshiper, and one who was never ashamed to own his Lord, nor to defend his cause.

We must never forget that we have heroic women, as well as men, in the army of the cross. Among our honored dead are the names of our beloved sister Todd, the faithful wife, the tender mother, the pious Christian, who so nobly aided her devoted husband in the mission to a foreign clime; and of our young sister Laughlin, whom we all remember as bidding us farewell not many months since, with so much modesty and womanly dignity, and who left her friends and home, and everything dear to her, to go on a mission of love to benighted creatures in a far-off country. All these died in faith, and approached their death—

> "Not, like the quarry-slave at night,
> Scourged to his dungeon; but, sustained and soothed
> By an unfaltering trust, approached their grave
> Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
> About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

The report was adopted by a rising vote, the audience standing while D. R. Van Buskirk led in prayer.

Joseph King, in behalf of the Committee on Present Missions, reported as follows:

Having examined the reports sent from the various localities that have received assistance in their efforts to establish primitive Christianity, we find that in most, if not in all, of them there has been much valuable and lasting work done; and for no other cause than for lack of funds, or their becoming self-sustaining, should the assistance in any of these fields be discontinued. The work in Williamsport, Pa., seems to be especially promising. With the assistance of the Board to the amount of $50, they write that they will be able to keep the place supplied during the incoming year. The work in Nebraska under the leadership of Brother Barrow, is growing more and more into permanency. We think we cannot exaggerate the necessity and value of the work that is being done by this godly man. Wisconsin is rapidly developing, as the excellent report of their State Evangelist shows. In Kansas the work seems to have been mostly confined to Topeka, where Dr. S. T. Dodd has been making special and persistent efforts to establish a church during the past nine months. The work that has been done there gives promise of a fruitful harvest in the near future.

We therefore recommend that the work in each of these several localities and States be continued, and that assistance be rendered to the extent that the funds in our general treasury may justify.

We further recommend that the work in Colorado, Tennessee and South Carolina be continued and assisted at the discretion of the Executive Board.

After remarks by A. I. Hobbs, R. M, Bishop, S. T. Dodd, of Kansas, A. B. Jones and T. P. Haley, the report was adopted.

N. S. Haynes submitted the following report from the Committee on Work in the States, which was adopted:

Your Committee on "*Work in the States*" would report as follows:

1. The action of the Board in assisting the States of Nebraska and Wisconsin to keep their Evangelists in their respective fields, we regard as wise and well-timed.

2. In our judgment, the State Missionary Society, while endeavoring to establish primitive Chrlstianity in places where it has not yet been introduced, should give special attention to such of our struggling churches as are deserving of assistance, bringing two or more of weak, adjacent congregations into a station or pastorate, that they may have regular preaching and constant ministerial care. This end may be reached directly by State efforts, or through District or County Coöperations. We heartily commend the work of Bro. Thomas Munnell, in Kentucky, and its methods, as excellent in purpose and spirit, blessed of God in their results, and worthy to be followed by others.

3. We believe that the Evangelists of the different States should report a summary of missionary labors in their respective fields to our Corresponding Secretary, that this Convention may receive an annual aggregate of our missionary labors throughout the Union, and we so recommend.

N. S. HAYNES.
L. R. GAULT,
S. M. JEFFERSON,
J. H. DUNCAN,
} Committee.

W. F. Cowden, from the Committee on Tracts, submitted the following, which was concurred in, after a few remarks by W. K. Azbill, of Kentucky:

Your Committee on the Distribution of Tracts submit the following report:

1. That we recognize in the liberal distribution of concise, well-prepared tracts a successful and potent agency for the dissemination of truth among the people.

2. That the Board be recommended to furnish their evangelists liberally with such tracts, as may be needed for the success of their work.

3. That a special fund be created and placed at their disposal for this purpose.

4. We call special attention to Bro. Müller's German tract, entitled, "What the Disciples Believe and Practice," and recommend its distribution among the German-speaking people of this country.

5. We suggest, for the consideration of the Board, the propriety of translating some of our tracts, such as "Our Position," into the Welsh and Swed-

ish languages, for distribution among the Welsh and Swedes in this country.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. F. COWDEN,
B. U. WATKINS,
J. A. ROBERTS,
S. B. MOORE,
J. L. PARSONS,
} Committee.

A. I. Hobbs submitted the following report on German Home Missions, which was adopted, after remarks by O. G. Hertzog, of N. Y.:

Your Committee on German Domestic Missions beg leave to report:

We recognize the fact that it is highly important, for economic reasons, to say nothing of the obligation to preach the gospel to all classes of men, that we enter upon the evangelization of the Germans of this country. Therefore

Resolved, That as a beginning we recommend the establishment of a mission among the Germans of Cincinnati, by the General Board, and that they employ Bro. H. H. J. F. Müller as evangelist, to proceed upon his work at the earliest moment practicable.

Resolved, That we now appeal to the brotherhood generally to send in contributions for his support, to the Treasurer of the General Board.

Resolved, That we urge the brotherhood to purchase the tract in German, issued by Bro. Müller, setting forth our distinctive plea, and thus encourage a worthy brother, and assist him in disseminating scriptural views among the Germans. It may be obtained of the Standard Publishing Co., at five cents each, or 25 copies for $1.00.

A. I. HOBBS,
JABEZ HALL,
JOHN DARST,
} Committee.

D. R. Van Buskirk made the following report from the Committee on Nominations, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to submit the following report:

President.—B. B. Tyler, Ky.

Vice Presidents.—Joseph King, Pa.; H. W. Everest, Ind.; O. G. Hertzog, New York.

Corresponding Secretary.—F. M. Green, Ohio.

Recording Secretaries.—W. H. Drapier, Ind.; F. D. Power, Washington, D. C.; N. S. Haynes, Ill.

Treasurer.—Joseph Smith, Jr., Ohio.

Auditor.—W. S. Dickinson, Ohio.

Board of Managers.—R. M. Bishop, Dr. E. Williams, J. Smith, Jr., W. H. Lape, O. A. Bartholomew, B. W. Wasson, E. T. Williams, J. F. Fisk, W. M. M. Lee.

Respectfully submitted,

D. R. VAN BUSKIRK,
W. A. BELDING,
C. W. HEMRY,
I. J. CHASE,
B. B. TYLER,
} Committee.

B. W. Johnson, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as follows:

Your Committee on Ways and Means would beg leave to report:

That the demands for laborers, and means to support them, are so pressing, the openings so great, the fields so white for the harvest, and the promise of reaping abundant results so flattering, that we can not but feel that the work would commend itself to the hearts of all lovers of the Lord, if brought fully before them.

We would therefore recommend:

1. That every possible means be taken to acquaint the brethren with the urgent demands of the new fields of the West, and the open doors in all parts of our country. Our periodicals, circulars and personal presentations may all be employed to keep the work constantly before the public mind.

2. That all the States engaged in State missionary work be urged to turn over a fixed percentage of their receipts to the general treasury.

3. That in those States where such an arrangement does not exist, all congregations be asked to take up two collections per year for general work, one about the first Lord's day in ———, and the other about the first Lord's day in ———; that it further be requested, that before these collections, a sermon be preached upon our missionary duties, in which the wants of our general work shall be presented, and that the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to send to every preacher or elder, circulars asking for the collection, and stating such facts as may serve to interest the churches.

4. That our preachers and elders be requested to keep the matter of bequests before the saints.

5. We would further recommend a favorable consideration of the request of the Board of Managers for such constitutional changes as will allow the revival of the Life Membership and Directorship plan, and also of allowing contributing churches to send delegates. We would recommend that every stream of liberality which will flow freely and purely into the treasury, be allowed to run without hindrance.

6. We would further recommend that the brethren of those States in which dividends are paid to the general treasury, be requested to use all Christian means of extending information concerning the general work.

B. W. JOHNSON,
N. A. MCCONNELL,
C. B. EDGAR,
W. S. DICKINSON,
} Committee.

After remarks by N. S. Haynes, C. C. Smith, B. W. Johnson, C. B. Edgar, J. A. Roberts, C. G. Bartholomew, of Indiana, J. W. McGarvey moved to strike from the report all having reference to Life Memberships and Life Directorships.

A. R. Benton moved to postpone the further consideration of this report, and that the regular orders of the day be proceeded with.

E. T. Williams opposed the motion.

The motion was rejected.

On motion, by A. R. Benton, the report under consideration was laid on the table.

On motion, by Ira J. Chase, the regular order of business was dispensed with, and the Committee on the Proposed Changes in the Constitution was called upon for a report.

O. A. Burgess, of Ill., in behalf of said committee, submitted the following:

The Committee, to whom was referred that part of the report of the Board pertaining to the revision of the Constitution, having had the same under careful consideration, beg leave to submit the following:

1. It is very evident that all that part of the present Constitution relating to district contributions or dividends, should be stricken out, it being now a dead letter, if, indeed, it ever was a living one; and we recommend such striking out.

2. The question then presents itself to your Committee, whether there should be inserted in the place of that part, the articles recommended by the Board, which contemplate the restoration of the old plan of life memberships life directorships, or whether a system of subscriptions for a series of years and of specified amounts, should take that place.

3. It is obvious to your Committee that in any case of raising funds, a direct appeal must be made to the individual, as a rule; and they have deemed it best to leave this part of the question open, and ask the Convention to make choice as between the two methods suggested, or to substitute a new one that in the judgment of the Convention will best accomplish the purposes of the organization.

O. A. BURGESS,
A. B. JONES,
A. R. BENTON,
J. W. MCGARVEY,
E. T. WILLIAMS,
} Committee.

R. M. Bishop moved its adoption.

J. W. McGarvey and D. R. Van Buskirk made a few remarks.

On motion of W. K. Azbill, it was ordered that the report be considered item by item.

The first item, recommending that the present system of dividends be stricken from the Constitution, being read—

F. M. Green moved that for the recommendations of this committee there be substituted the draft of a Constitution, as proposed in the report of the Board of Managers.

After remarks by O. A. Burgess—it being the noon hour—L. L. Carpenter, from the Committee on Order of Business, reported:

FOR THE AFTERNOON.

1. Meet at 2 oclock.
2. Reports from committees.
3. Communications from kindred associations.
4. Miscellaneous business.
5. Words from pioneers.
6. Adjournment at 4:30 o'clock.

FOR THE EVENING.

1. Meet at 7:30 o'clock and spend thirty minutes in social worship, led by D. R. Lucas.
2. Address by A. B. Jones, of Missouri.

The report was concurred in.

And then came a recess for dinner—the benediction by Jabez Hall, of Ohio.

Fourth Session.

President Moffett resumed the Chair at 2 o'clock P. M., and, after singing by the audience and prayer by F. G. Allen, of Kentucky, the Secretary's minutes of this morning's session were read and approved.

On motion by F. M. Green, the unfinished business of the forenoon was taken up, and his pending motion was agreed to.

Articles I and II of the draft of a Constitution recommended by the General Board, were read and adopted. They refer to the name and object of the Convention.

Article III, prescribing membership by Life Directorship, Membership, etc., being read, gave rise to a discussion, participated in by C. G. Bartholomew, D. R. Van Buskirk, D. R. Lucas, C. C. Smith, F. M. Green, F. G. Allen, W. B. Craig, of Iowa, and W. K. Azbill.

Article III was then adopted.

Article IV, prescribing the number of officers of the Convention, was read and adopted.

Article V, having reference to the place of meeting of the Board, was read and adopted.

Article VI, referring to the qualification of members of the Board; Article VII, referring to the Treasurer; Article VIII, concerning life members of the American Christian Missionary Society; Article IX, in reference to the place for annual meetings of the Convention, and Article X, relating to amendments to the Constitution, were severally read and adopted. The By-Law allowing church members to participate in the deliberations of this Convention, was also adopted.

On motion of A. I. Hobbs, the Constitution, as a whole, was then adopted.

D. R. Lucas moved the following amendment to Article VI of the Constitution, which lies over for one year, in accordance with a constitutional provision.

Add after the words, 'shall live in or near Cincinnati,' the words 'unless otherwise ordered at a meeting of the General Convention.'

On motion by A. I. Hobbs, it was ordered that the officers of the General Christian Missionary Convention elected this morning shall hold office under the new Constitution.

On motion by A. E. Myers, the report of the Committee on Ways and Means, was taken from the table.

The pending motion, to strike therefrom all referring to Life Directors and Life Members, was rejected.

The report was then adopted.

J. F. Sloan, in behalf of the Committee on the Washington Church Fund, submitted the following:

Your Committee, to whom was referred so much of the report of the Board as relates to the "Washington Church Building Fund," respectfully report:

1. That the contributions already received in cash and reliable pledges, amounting to over $30,000, give us the grateful assurance that the cherished wish of many brethren, with respect to this enterprise, may be considered as already within easy and certain accomplishment.

2. That we cordially approve of the resolution of the Board, to provide for a house that shall not cost less than $35,000, and recommend that they be earnestly urged to press forward in securing not only the additional sum of $5,000 necessary to the completion of a house of that cost, but also the further sum of $5,000 more, so as to provide for the possible contingency of a deficit that may arise in the prosecution and completion of the work.

3. That the Building Committee be authorized and instructed by the Board, in harmony with the church at Washington, to commence as soon as practicable the work of the foundation, and to proceed to the completion of the building as rapidly as may be within the means at their disposal, but so as at no time to incur any responsibility that they may not have the certain assurance of promptly and fully meeting.

4. That all contributions of cash or in pledges that have been or may be made for this building be promptly secured into the hands of the Treasurer, Joseph Smith, Jr., of Cincinnati, O., and that the full amount of the same be officially reported to the brethren through our papers, with an estimate of the balance that will be required to complete the building, and that a vigorous and persistent effort be made to secure it in time for the continuous prosecution and speedy accomplishment of the work.

5. That the Building Committee be instructed to adopt, as soon as practicable, a plan for the said building, and to procure a lithograph copy of the same for circulation, with the estimate of total cost, so that the brethren may see what manner of house they are asked to build, and know its probable cost, and the amount of contributions still needed for its erection.

6. That the Board be requested to ascertain, as far as practicable, what congregations have not yet contributed to this fund, and to use prompt and efficient means to secure their liberal coöperation in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. K. PENDLETON,
J. H. SMART,
A. P. COBB,
J. F. SLOAN,
J. S. HUGHES,
} Committee.

On motion by D. R. Dungan, the second item, embracing a proposition for additional contributions, was stricken out, after a few remarks by J. F. Sloan, O. A. Bartholomew and F. M. Green.

The report, as amended, was concurred in.

O. P. Miller, from the Committee on New Mission Points, presented a report, which was concurred in, as follows:

Your committee appointed on New Fields for Missionary Work, or New Mission Points, beg leave to report:

That after carefully considering such information as we have been able to obtain, we recommend the States of Minnesota and Colorado, and the Territory of Dakota, in the West, and the States of North Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, in the Southwest, as worthy of immediate attention. Minnesota has a regular State organization, in good working order.

With the small force they have, they can raise a liberal share of the salary of an Evangelist, and are in condition to take care of any work undertaken in that field. Their continued zeal and persistence in their work, with but little aid from abroad, render them especially worthy of substantial consideration. They have some points also that promise large results, with very moderate expense; among them the city of Rochester.

In Colorado a number of church organizations have been effected, which are able to help themselves in part, and notable among them is the city of Leadville, which, with the aid of some $500, can support a preacher for the coming year, and thus, as is believed, make this important and growing center self-sustaining. Other points in the rapidly increasing population of this new State invite, with much promise, the labors of the missionary.

Dakota has but few organizations in the Territory, and none in the northern part, along the line of the N. P. R. R., where we find the most promising field for labor. There are a number of brethren scattered along the line of this great thoroughfare who can be made the foundation for a great future for the church. According to the statistics of the able address of Tuesday evening, this Territory has increased in the last ten years double that of any region of the rapidly growing West. The advantages here are that we can *beyin* with the country. Many towns, of five to eight hundred population, along this railroad, have scarcely a regular religious organization, and the class of population exceptionally good.

North Carolina has some noble brethren, and their self-sacrificing efforts, patience and zeal in their work, along with the encouraging results from efforts already made, entitle this field to favorable consideration from the Board of this Convention. They can supplement any effort the Board can make in their behalf, to give assurance of successful work.

Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana are most earnestly stretching forth their hands for help. Some weak churches send assurance that, if assistance is not sent them from abroad, they must soon cease to exist. Assistance in these fields, we think, would be labor well appropriated.

The claims of the Southern Christian Institute, at Jackson, Miss., have been brought to our attention, and we regard it a most important work, but are unable at present to make any definite recommendations.

Did we deem it wise to widen the field of labor, we would mention with much favor, the State of Michigan, Territory of Montana, Alaska, and the State of Tennessee, where there are fields ripe for the harvest and many worthy laborers calling for help. As we look over these broad and inviting fields of labor, and contemplate that within the short period of the present century a mighty empire will be built up in the West, we can but pray with the speaker of Wednesday evening, the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into this grand field.

On motion by D. R. Van Buskirk, the report of the Board of Managers was then adopted as a whole.

David Walk, from the Committee on Place of Next Meeting, submitted the following:

Your Committee on Place of Next Meeting respectfully report that they have decided upon Lexington, Ky.

After a cordial invitation speech, by W. F. Cowden, of Lexington, Ky., the report was concurred in.

Mrs. Gov. Wallace, of Ind., introduced Mrs. Leavitt, who spoke in behalf of the cause of prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, in the name of the Woman's Temperance Union of Indiana.

L. L. Carpenter offered the following:

Resolved, That we recognize our solemn obligation as ministers of the church of Christ to advance the cause of temperance by an example of total abstinence, and by endeavoring to secure the absolute prohibition of the liquor traffic as a beverage.

It was adopted, after a few words spoken by Mrs. Gov. Wallace.

W. F. Cowden introduced Malcolm Ayers (colored), pastor of the colored Christian church in Lexington, who addressed the Convention in behalf of his race.

A. I. Hobbs offered the following:

Resolved, That we continue our efforts to raise money for the Washington church until the sum of $40,000 shall have been secured.

After remarks thereon by A. I. Hobbs and O. A. Burgess, it was adopted.

N. S. Haynes offered the following resolutions, which were severally adopted:

Resolved, That we hereby express to the Disciples of Christ of this city, and their friends, our sincere appreciation of their cordial welcome and hearty hospitality, so richly tendered by them, and so highly enjoyed by us—delegates and visitors to these Conventions.

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the courtesy of those Railways which have given a reduction of rates to our delegates.

T. P. Haley presented the following:

"I hereby give notice that I will, at the next Convention, move to so amend the first article of the Constitution, that it shall read, 'This organization shall be called the General Christian Missionary Society.'"

Which lies over, under the constitutional rule, till the next yearly meeting.

T. P. Haley submitted the following, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendred to the Daily *Sentinel*, Daily *Journal*, Daily *Times*, and *Evening News*, of this city, and the press of other cities, for their courteous and generally accurate reports of the sessions of this Convention.

And then came a recess for supper, after a benediction pronounced by Elder S. K. Hoshour.

Fifth Session.

A half hour was occupied principally with speeches by N. A. McConnell, S. K. Hoshour and Love H. Jameson, and then—at 7:30 o'clock—

A. B. Jones delivered an address, founded on a part of the 11th chapter of Hebrews, commencing with the words, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for."

D. R. Lucas offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to Robert Moffett, for the ability and impartiality with which he has presided over the deliberations of this Convention; and to Bro. W. H. Drapier, for his arduous labors in recording the proceedings; and to the Committee on Entertainment, for their unselfish devotion to our enjoyment.

A. I. Hobbs, of the Board of Managers, put the question on the adoption of this resolution, which was agreed to by a rising vote.

And then, after singing "From Greenland's icy mountains," the Convention adjourned, to meet at Lexington, Ky., on Thursday after the third Lord's day in October, of next year. Benediction by Elder James M. Mathes, of Ind.

W. H. DRAPIER, Secretary. R. MOFFETT, Prest.

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

From October 21st, 1880, to October 20th, 1881.

RECEIPTS.

Oct. 1881.	In treasury	$67 66
	Norfolk, Va	14 25
	A. Brothers, Virginia, for French Missions	10 00
	Dutch Fork, Penna	7 53
	L. H. Wilson, Kentucky	5 00
	O. C. M. Society	25 00
	Fourth Street Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind	12 22
	Collections at Louisville, Ky	54 89
	H. M. Hickok, Ohio	10 00
	Duke Center, Pa	8 33
	Main Street Church, Lexington, Ky	25 00
	S. S., Allegheny City, Pa	5 00
	Allegheny City, Pa	15 00
	Newport, Ky	5 42
	Memphis, Tenn	12 00
	Bedford, Ind	14 60
	Bedford, Ind., for Foreign Missions	13 75
	Central Christian Church, St. Louis, Mo	6 50
	Central Christian Church, Cincinnati, O	15 00
	Wabash, Ind	2 00
	Springfield, Mo	5 00
	Troy, N. Y	4 00
Nov. 1880.	Cameron, Mo	5 25
	Colfax, Ill	10 00
	Geo. W. Gillett, New York	5 00
	A. B. Chamberlain, New York	29 60
	J. B. Mitchell, Colorado	2 00
	S. S., Bellaire, O	1 00
	Danbury, Conn	5 00
	Acworth Ga	3 00
	F. M. Green, Ohio	5 00
	Brethren in South Carolina	11 15
	S. S., Randolph, O	1 00
	Stillwater, Pa	4 42
	Jackson, Pa	5 00
	Waller, Pa	3 00
	Cambria	1 58
	Mrs. Harriet Best, Pa	5 00
	A. H. Best	10 00
	H. T. Lucas, Pa	5 00
	John Duke, Pa	10 00
	Iram Derr, Pa	5 00
	J. Rautz, Pa	5 00
	C. W. Churchill, Pa	5 00
	W. P. McHenry, Pa	5 00
	R. Appleman, Pa	5 00
	Wm. Eighney, Pa	5 00
	S. Wood, Pa	1 00
	Annie Tyler, Pa	1 00
	Mrs. John Rautz, Pa	1 00
	Sue Bunnage, Pa	1 00
	Mrs. — Fergus, Pa	1 00
	J. H. Hile, Pa	50
	Mrs. Annie McClum, Pa	1 00
	Clara Kramer, Pa	1 00
	Louisa Kramer, Pa	1 00
	Sarah Stoker, Pa	1 00
	Maria Harvey, Pa	1 00
	Mary J. Reeder, Pa	1 00
	George Clymer, Pa	1 85

Nov. 1880.	Carrie Moore, Pa	1 00
	Mrs. W. Moore, Pa	1 00
	J. Krotzer, Pa	1 00
	J. N. Bitner, Pa	2 00
	J. Hall ck, Pa	1 00
	John Clymer, Pa	1 00
	Miles Banes, Pa	1 00
	Lizzie Clymer, Pa	1 00
	A. D. Finch, Pa	1 00
	Cash, Pa	2 00
	Lock Haven, Pa	5 00
	Howard, Pa	2 00
	Granville, Pa	5 66
Dec. 1880.	Abbie Field, Mich	20
	E. A. Barbor, Ohio	5 00
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	S. S., Bellaire, Ohio	1 00
	Mrs. Maria Williams, S. C., for Washington church	5 00
	Eagleville, Pa	2 00
	March Creek, Pa	1 50
	Newcastle, Pa	10 00
	Brethren in W. Va	6 00
Jan., 1881.	W. B. Dean, Ohio	5 00
	Randolph, Ohio	7 70
	Loogootee, Ind	16 00
	Loogootee, Ind., for Foreign missions	7 00
	G. W. Camp, Ill	10 00
	Newcastle, Pa	53 75
	Charles S. Sadler, Mo	2 00
	Nettie W. Burnett, Mo	2 00
	T. J. Lathrop, Ill	3 00
	S. S., Bellaire, Ohio	1 00
	Susie and Lucy McCann, Mo	1 00
	Mrs. H. A. Radabaugh, for French mission	5 00
	Eureka, Ill., for foreign missions	20 00
	Thomas A. Shaw, Ill	5 00
	A. C. Grooms, Ind	10 00
	Rees Gaddis, Ill	5 00
	G. C. Wolfe, Mo	3 00
	H. B. Davis, Ind	1 00
	Mary H. Houston, Mo	2 00
	Thomas F. Houston, Mo	8 00
	Lydia Connel, Mo	1 50
	C. W. Goodrich, Mo	3 00
	Austa Webb, Ill	1 00
	"Special," Mo	25 00
	Dutch Fork, Pa	3 98
	Geo. W. Dawson, Mo	5 00
	Hiawatha, Kas	1 00
	Mrs. S. K. Holladay, Va., for foreign missions	5 00
	Miss Mattie Holladay, Va., for foreign missions	5 00
	Mrs. A. C. Chenoweth, Mo	2 00
	Richard Murphy, Ill	5 00
	John Hazelrigg, Mo	1 00
	Mary E. Young, Va	1 00
	S. C. Cunningham, Mo	3 00
	J. N. Allen, Ill	5 00
	Hopson Glasscock, Mo	5 00
	Board of Indian Commissioners, D. C	52 75
	Anna Jones, Colorado	1 00
	Mrs. R. E. McGarock, Mo	2 00
	D. F. Spiker, Va	50
	Mrs. M. F. Spiker, Va	20
	Mrs. Alice L. Spiker, Va	20
	Miss Delilah Saum, Va	20

Jan. 1881.	Miss Bella Saum, Va	$ 50
	Mrs. Ella W. Wilkin, Va	25
	R. F. Maphis, Va	0
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	O. C. M. Society	18 00
Feb. 1881.	Washington, D. C	22 00
	Saratoga, Cal	8 50
	Lanark, Ill	8 10
	Mary Maxon, Iowa, for S. C. Institute	1 00
	Cynthiana, Ky	20 00
	Fifth Street, Covington, Ky	5 00
	John Blair, Ohio	5 00
	Mrs. John Blair, Ohio	5 00
	Mrs. S. M. Cook, Ohio	25
	Mrs. E. C. Gibbon, Mich	1 00
	Mrs. E. C. Gibbon, Mich., for Foreign Missions	1 00
	J. H. Danner, Mo	5 00
	John Burns, Mo	25
	Malvina Ray, Mo	1 00
	G. B. Jones, Ill	5 00
	Louisa C. Maphis, Va	1 00
	Annie R. Rhodes, Va	1 00
	Samuel Harbaugh, Va	20
	R. L. Wynne, Va	20
	Charles M. Orndorff, Va	20
	Samuel Shill, Va	20
	Wm. A. Davidson, Va	25
	Jacob Orndorff, Va	20
	A. A. Orndorff, Va	28
	Interest on Bacon bequest	40 50
	Platte Center, Neb	12 00
	David City, Neb	1 00
	Greenwood, Neb	2 50
	Valparaiso, Neb	7 00
	Blue Valley, Neb	15 50
	Pawnee City, Neb	25 00
	Ayr, Neb	1 00
	J. F. Woodrow, Ohio	1 00
	S. S., Bellaire, Ohio	1 00
	Greeley, Iowa	5 27
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	Joseph W. Rhodes, Va	2 00
	Levi C. Rhodes, Va	1 00
	D. H. Rhodes, Va	1 00
	Martha H. Rice, Ill	5 00
	T. B. Williams, S. C	5 00
	Assumption, Ill	2 17
	Annie R. Dobyns, Mo	2 00
	Granville Snell, Mo	2 00
	S. S., Washington, D. C	20 00
	S. S., Atlanta, Ga	2 50
	Lydia F. Maphis, Va	20
	James W. Saum, Va	25
	Daniel T. Saum, Va	20
	Jennie E. Saum, Va	20
	Ella M. Teawalt, Va	20
	Joseph F. Teawalt, Va	20
	H. B. Goe, Pa	25 00
	R. W. Orvis, Mo	15 00
	M. R. England, Ill	5 00
March, 1881.	F. M. Green, Ohio	5 00
	S. S., Randolph, O	1 00
	W. C. Needles, Col	2 00
	J. S. Weyand, Col	2 09
	T. J. Sweany, Col	1 00

Mar. 1881.	J. G. Sayer, Va.	$ 2 00
	S. S., Bellaire, Ohio	1 00
	C. E. Brown, Mo	2 00
	Hodges, S. C	2 05
	Lock Haven, Pa	3 37
	Estate of Austin B. Council	124 00
	Mrs. John Holt, Ill	2 50
	Estate of Ephraim B. Smith	200 00
	Simpson Ely, Iowa	5 00
	Malvina Ray, Mo	50
	Geo. W. Snoddy, Ind	1 00
April, 1881.	Jacksonville, Ill., for foreign missions	29 50
	R. Buckham, Mo	5 00
	Celia C. Stidham, Ill	2 00
	Stow, Ohio	5 12
	M. L. Laughlin, Mo	1 00
	Charles H. Chapman, Mo	1 00
	J. B. Longan, Mo	6 00
	F. L. Longan, Mo	6 00
	"Two sisters," S. C	5 00
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	S. S., Bellaire, Ohio	1 00
	Frank E. Ferris, Ohio	1 00
	Danbury, Conn	6 00
	J. R. Langley, Ky	50
	R. H. Wynne, Ky	3 00
	G. F. Hillman, Ohio	2 00
	Valparaiso, Neb	8 00
	Hamlin, Kas	30 00
	Lincoln, Neb	30 00
	Brownsville, Neb	2 00
	Nemaha City, Neb	6 50
	Humboldt, Neb	5 50
	Arborville, Neb	14 00
	Pawnee City, Neb	3 00
	Monroe, Wis	6 72
	Waupun, Wis	30 00
	West Liberty, Iowa	5 00
	J. N. Smith, Iowa	5 00
	Pompey, N. Y	14 50
	J. H. Gordinier, N. Y	2 00
	Hamlin, Kas	5 30
	Panora, Iowa	3 20
	Peters' Creek, Pa	4 50
	Chattanooga, Tenn	94 09
	W. L. Christian, Mo	2 00
	J. B. Mitchell and wife, Col., for Washington church	25 00
	Mrs. Samuel Garrett, Mo	1 00
	Topeka, Kas	87 00
May, 1881.	Richmond Street Church, Cincinnati, Ohio	16 04
	Central Christian Church, Cincinnati, Ohio	20 00
	D. T. Alger, Mo	5 00
	Bloomington, Ill	3 00
	S. S., Bellaire, Ohio	1 00
	Church at Bellaire, Ohio	7 00
	Assumption, Ill	5 00
	La Porte, Ind	3 45
	S. S., Central Church, Cincinnati, Ohio	10 00
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	O. C. M. Society	194 16
	G. L. Brokaw, Wis., for Foreign Missions	20 00
	Little Flat Rock, Ind	5 00
June, 1881.	R. T. Miller, Mo	2 00
	Geo. Clymer, Pa	2 00
	H. T. Lucas, Pa	5 00

June, 1881.	Galen Wood, Pa	$ 5 00
	J. C. B. Stivers, Pa	10 00
	Marsh Creek Church, Pa	4 00
	Eagleville, Pa	4 38
	M. S. Blair, Pa	5 00
	D. M. Kinter, Pa	10 00
	C. F. Mortimer, Pa	20 00
	G. W. Headley, Pa	5 00
	J. L. Phœnix, Pa	5 00
	E. C. Best, Pa	5 00
	A. M. De Haas, Pa	5 00
	J. C. Leathers, Pa	2 00
	Columbia Co., Pa	4 00
	J. J. Kimes	1 00
	A. B. Bitner, Pa	1 00
	Lock Haven, Pa	15 00
	Ida Buckham, Mo., for French Mission	1 00
	Medina, Ohio	4 18
	A. K. Bonham, Ind	1 00
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	North Bristol, Ohio	8 60
	S. S., North Bristol, Ohio	3 08
	David Looney, Ind	6 00
July, 1881	Stow, Ohio	5 19
	Chattanooga, Tenn	4 13
	S. S., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Foreign Missions	2 84
	Albia, Iowa	4 00
	S. S., Bellaire, Ohio	2 00
	J. B. Mitchell, Col	5 00
	Hamlin, Kansas	4 00
	H. S. Hascull, Ill	2 00
	Duke Centre, Pa	5 00
	Cynthiana, Ky., for Foreign Missions	14 00
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	W. J. Loos, Ky	15 00
	Lock Haven, Pa	4 00
	Leadville, Col	12 00
	James Kurstater, Pa	5 00
	F. Stout, Pa	1 00
	Mrs. Ella Getz, Pa	5 00
	J. S. Hanna, Pa	5 00
	Mrs. — Schenck, Pa	50
	U. P. McHenry, Pa	2 00
	Miss Anna Maurer, Pa	50
	A. M. De Haas, Pa	1 00
	A. B. Bitner, Pa	2 00
	Mrs. Ella Brady, Pa	50
	O. T. Noble, Pa	12 00
	M. S. Blair, Pa	5 00
	Marsh Creek, Pa	2 00
	Howard Church, Pa	3 00
	New Lisbon, Ohio	7 65
	Loogootee, Ind	7 00
	Monroe, Wis	3 13
	J. M. Vandervoort, Ohio	5 00
	North Bloomfield, Ohio	5 00
	T. B. Knowles, Ohio	50
Aug., 1881.	L. C. Angel, S. C	5 00
	Bedford, Ind	14 41
	La Porte, Ind	5 92
	Cash	4 08
	W. F. Ackman, Ind	25
	New Castle, Ind	5 00
	Mary Winfield, Ind., for foreign missions	5 00
	Waupun, Wis	24 08

Aug. 1883.	Neenoh, Wis	$55 00
	Mt. Tabor, Wis	3 28
	Twin Grove, Wis	15 09
	Fairfield, Wis	2 00
	Mt. Pleasant, Wis	4 50
	Genessee, Wis	75
	Bethel, Wis	9 00
	Plattsville, Wis	5 00
	Georgetown, Wis	3 50
	Valparaiso, Neb	24 00
	Bloomington, Neb	26 00
	Lincoln, Neb	10 00
	Round Prairie, Wis	27 00
	Platte Center, Neb	1 00
	Plattsmouth, Neb	2 50
	Pleasant Ridge, Neb	9 00
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	Assumption, Ill	3 41
	Wabash, Ind	5 00
	Ladies' Missionary Society, High Street Church, Akron, O.	75 00
	Brethren in Louisiana	38 00
	Peter's Creek, Pa	2 00
	Mary S. Dysart, Mo	2 00
	M. W. Burton, Mo	15 00
	Thomas B. White, Mo	2 50
	Albert Hinsdale, O., for Washington church	1 00
	John Woodward, O., " " "	1 00
	A. H. Best, Pa	10 00
	Mrs. H. R. Noll, Pa	5 00
	Geo. Clymer, Pa	2 00
	Mrs. Ella Barker, Pa	1 00
	James Chatham, Pa	5 00
	Farley Stout, Pa	5 00
	Mill Hall Church, Pa	5 00
	John F. Bullock, Ind., for Washington church	1 00
	J. T. Varotee, " " " "	1 00
	L. Payne, " " " "	1 00
	Thos. Branagan, " " " "	1 00
	H. C. Strickler, " " " "	1 00
	Dr. J. R. Cravens, " " " "	50
	Henry Weyhl, " " " "	50
	J. R. Fleming, " " " "	1 00
	Reese Dunn, " " " "	1 00
	Dr. H. J. Hall, " " " "	1 00
	Loogootee, " " " "	10 00
	Mrs. Electa Wood, for French mission	5 00
Sept., 1881.	G. L. Crim, Col.	15 50
	"A Female," Ky	2 50
	Leatherwood Church, Ind	5 50
	Grace Shepard, Ohio	25
	Mrs. E. G. Gibbon, Mich.	1 00
	E. G. Gibbon, Mich.	1 00
	M. A. Collins, Pa	10
	Wm. Branch, Kas	9
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	Missouri State Board	288 48
	Leon, Iowa, for Washington church	7 50
	Unadilla, Neb., " " "	6 65
	Vinton, Iowa, " " "	15 91
	Fairfield, Iowa, " " "	5 00
	Rose Hill, Iowa, " " "	4 00
	West Rupert, Vt	5 00
	Emma Wells, Iowa	6 00
	Mrs. S. A. Bromwell, Ohio.	5 00
	O. Q. Oviatt, Ind.	2 00

Sept. 1881.	New Antioch, Ohio	$10 10
	Perry, Ohio	2 75
	Rebecca Norman, Ohio	2 25
	"Two Brothers," Col	5 00
	Diehl's Branch, Neb	2 00
	Williamsville, N. Y	5 00
	B. F. McCord, Mo	1 00
Oct., 1881.	Cash	70
	Illinois State Missionary Society	20 00
	Trustees of Christian Hymn Book	348 74
	S. S., ellaire, Ohio	1 00
	West Pawlet, Vt	2 15
	Cash	20
	Brethren in South Carolina	3 85
	Valparaiso, Neb	16 00
	Exeter, Neb	8 00
	Waterloo, Neb	22 00
	Pleasant Hill, Neb	18 50
	Johnson, Neb	24 00
	Sarpy Center, Neb	18 17
	Elk Creek, Neb	2 59
	Pawnee City, Neb	3 16
	Mrs. S. E. Alley, Neb	2 00
	Neeniah, Wis	4 60
	Gennessee, Wis	1 40
	Fairfield, Wis	5 00
	Georgetown, Wis	12 00
	Plattsville, Wis	17 00
	Dr. Monroe, Wis	12 50
	S. S., Randolph, Ohio	1 00
	G. L. Wharton, N. Y	1 00
	Nebraska State Convention	10 00
	Main Street Church, Lexington, Ky	16 60
	W. F. Cowden, Lexington, Ky	5 00
	La Harpe, Ill	1 [illegible]8
	James A. Fillmore, Ohio	20 00
	Mrs. James A. Fillmore, Ohio	20 00
	Richmond Street Church, Cincinnati, Ohio	12 00
	S. S., Fifth Street Church, Covington, Ky	4 10
	Fifth Street Church, Covington, Ky	7 00
	Chas. H. Fisk, Covington, Ky	5 00
	Brethren in South Carolina	12 60
	Joseph Smith, Jr,. Ohio	5 00
	Centerville, Ind	1 93
	Mrs. S. I. Morgan, Ind	5 00
	John Brown, Ohio	106 00
	Troy, N. Y	20 00
	Brunswick, Ohio	48 36
	Wm. Emmett, Ohio	40 00
	Fannie Alexander, Pa	20 00
	Joseph Alexander, Pa	25 00
	J. E. Railsback, Ill	5 00
	R. J. Mitchell, Ill	10 00
	Mrs. Kate Babbitt, Ohio	60 00
	Wheeling, West Va	45 00
	Albert Hatcher, Ohio	1 00
	Wm. Pennock, Ohio	50
	Bro. Robinson, Ohio	50
	Marlboro, Ohio	2 82
	Estate of M. Crosby, Ohio	10 00
	East Cleveland, Ohio	10 00
	Mrs. Electa Wood, Ohio	2 00
	Mrs. Harriet Judah, Ind	30 00
	Waterloo, N. Y	5 00
	E. A. Pardee, N. Y	25 00

Oct. 1881.	West Rupert, Vt	$24 00
	Wheeling, West Va	10 00
	Church at West Philadelphia, Pa	7 50
	Elmore, Ohio	2 32
	Mrs. Mary Boggs, Ohio	5 00
	Mrs. Alcinda Poorman, Ohio	5 00
	Mrs. H. Spalding, Mich	5 00
	Toledo, Ohio	4 93
	Collinwood, Ohio	20 00
	John Ramsey, Ohio	2 00
	New Castle, Pa	20 00
	Henry W. Oliver, Pa	10 00
	Harriet M. Benton, N. Y	11 00
	Columbus, Ohio	5 00
	Winchester, Ind	5 00
	Ingle, Ind	1 00
	I. P. Watts, Ind	2 00
	Fort Wayne	14 80
	E. D. Barclay, Ohio	10 00
	Grand Rapids, Mich	6 09
	H. E. Payne, Pa	5 00
	Ionia, Mich	13 08
	Muir, Mich	15 98
	C. A. Lorman, Mich	5 00
	Margaret Oliver, Pa	50 00
	G. T. Oliver, Pa	20 00
	Wm. Dowling, Ohio	1 01
	Shelby, Ohio	5 00
	Mrs. E. A. Laing, N. Y	1 00
	Charles Baxter, Mich	6 50
	F. O. Ellis, Mass	5 00
	Mrs. W. A. Belding, N. Y	5 00
	Troy, N. Y	9 00
	Lynn Bros., Mich	6 00
	John Bettes, N. Y	60 00
	Mrs. L. A. Keiningham, Ky	2 00
	J. O. Probasco, Mich	2 50
	Mrs. A. A. Fox, Mich	2 50
	New York State Missionary Society	25 00
	Third District Michigan Society	50 00
	Wm. Anderson, Mich	10 00
	Oscar F. Hall, Mich	5 00
	Silver Creek, Mich	3 00
	J. P. Warner, Mich	50 00
	Mrs. M. M. B. Goodwin, Ohio	50 01
	Centerville, Ind	2 31
	Dr. Belding and family	279 85
	Frankfort, Ky	15 70
	A. S. Hale, Ind	3 00
	Bloomington, Ind	5 00
	Greensburg, Ind	7 00
	Central Christian Church, Cincinnati, Ohio	20 00
	Church at Little Flat Rock, Ind	4 00
	J. F. Bergman, Ill	1 00
	Church at New Castle, Ind	6 00
	Church at Kewanna, Ind	15 00
	T. E. Wills, Ind., for Washington church	1 00
	Church at Franklin, Ind	2 00
	Church at Antioch, Ill	7 01
	Church at Danville, Ind	10 00
	J. B. Mayfield, Ill	75
	Church at Marysville, Iowa, for Washington church	2 26
	John Truax, Minn., " " "	3 00
	Church at Peter's Creek, Pa	2 00
	Church at New Albany, Ind	25 00

Oct. 1881.	Cash collected by Dr. Belding, for Washington church	$121 29
	Iowa Christian Missionary Convention	50 00
	Cash collected by O. Q. Oviatt, for Washington church	85 00
	Church at Fifth street, Covington, Ky	3 00
	Church at Greensburg, Ind	50
	Church at La Porte, Ind	4 00
	Mrs. R. T. Brown, Ind, for foreign missions	20 00
	S. G. Tomlinson, " " " "	10 00
	Cash, " " " "	7 00
	Collection at Indianapolis	45 50
	E. A. Pardee, N. Y., for foreign missions	20 00
	W. S. Dickinson, Ohio	10 00
	Mrs. W. K. Pendleton, W. Va	20 00
	Mrs. M. D. Eyman, Ill	2 00
	Church at West Liberty, W. Va	3 89
	S. S., Dutch Fork, Pa	1 58
	Church at Dutch Fork, Pa., for foreign missions	4 69
	Church at Dutch Fork, Pa., for Washington church	34 20
	Church at Cane Mills, Ind., " " "	8 25
	Church at Quincy, Ill	20 00
	Church at Williamsville, N. Y	4 20
	E. A. Pardee, N. Y	80
	Church at Dover, Ky	14 50
	Church at Topeka, Kansas	117 25
	Church at Stow, Ohio	6 64
	F. M. Green, Ohio	100 00
	Total receipts to October 20, 1881	$6,220 01

AMOUNTS PAID OUT BY ORDERS.

EXPENSES.

No.		No.		No.		No.		No.		No.	
1229	$53 95	1242	$16 00	1255	$35 00	1268	$94 09	1281	$45 00	1294	533 34
1230	17 64	1243	5 00	1256	5 00	1269	87 00	1282	14 04	1295	21 85
1231	23 75	1244	22 00	1257	75 00	1270	152 88	1283	124 70	1296	4 21
1232	25 00	1245	266 66	1258	50 00	1271	16 85	1284	164 69	1297	117 25
1233	34 60	1246	125 00	1259	37 00	1272	41 50	1285	33 00	1298	1332 44
1234	11 15	1247	38 30	1260	25 00	1273	25 00	1286	75 00	1299	25 00
1235	103 01	1248	8 10	1261	125 00	1274	125 00	1287	38 00	1300	14 50
1236	33 33	1249	6 00	1262	49 50	1275	50 00	1288	7 65	1301	61 69
1237	129 60	1250	6 00	1263	5 00	1276	50 00	1289	266 67	1302	12 60
1238	6 20	1251	266 67	1264	66 50	1277	50 00	1290	3 85		
1239	88 30	1252	12 01	1265	3 75	1278	25 00	1291	348 74		
1240	15 00	1253	28 80	1266	133 33	1279	$19 00	1292	67 53		
1241	25 00	1254	$32 00	1267	39 85	1280	91 18	1293	5 00		

Total amount of orders	$6,193 26
Balance in Treasury, Oct. 20, 1881	26 75
Total	$6,220 01

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH SMITH, JR., Recording Sec'y.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount in Treasury, Oct. 21, 1880	$67 66
Whole amount received during the year, as by Recording Secretary's report	6,152 35
Total	$6,220 01
Amount disbursed during the year, as by orders 1229–1302, inclusive	$6,193 26
Balance in Treasury, Oct. 20, 1881	26 75
Total	$6,220 01

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 20, 1881. JOSEPH SMITH, JR., Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Having examined the accounts of the Recording Secretary and Treasurer of the General Christian Missionary Convention, I certify that they are correct.

W. S. DICKINSON, Auditor.